

WORLD NEWS

SEVEN DAYS AT A GLANCE

Peace Notes.

The council of the League of Nations has decided that nothing further can be done regarding the manufacture of ten thousand rifle barrels for Mexico by the Danzig arms factory. The council, however, will see to it that the promised transformation of the arms plant into a bicycle factory or some other industry of peace will be put into effect.

Great Britain, France and Italy again have appealed to Greece to postpone her offensive and accept their mediation in an effort to forestall war in Asia Minor, following a 2-day conference between Premier Briand and Lord Curzon, the British foreign secretary.

President Harding and his cabinet have decided to launch their plan for refunding the nation's 10 billion dollar war loans to the allies into definite obligations and for the sale of such securities to the American people. The first step on the part of the administration will be to ask congress for specific authority to carry out this plan.

Marshal Foch, supreme commander of the allied armies, and Field Marshal Haig of the British army will attend the American Legion convention at Kansas City next fall, and Admiral Beatty of the British navy and Marshal Joffre probably will attend.

On the eve of the meeting of the League of Nations council to discuss the mandate issue raised by the United States and the meeting of the British imperial conference, which will discuss renewal of the Anglo-Japanese alliance, Washington has become the center of a great international game of diplomatic chess.

Germany has sent a note to the allies protesting against the inactivity of the allied troops in Upper Silesia. The German government cited the treaty of Versailles as a basis for the protest.

Direct negotiations have been begun between the United States and Japan for the settlement of the questions pending between them. These include the island of Yap, the immigration question, the alien land question and the return of Shantung to China by Japan.

The British have warned the Turkish Nationalists that any attempt to take Constantinople will mean war with Great Britain. The purpose of sending a British brigade from Malta to relieve the Greeks at Ismid is to frustrate any such Nationalist attempt to occupy Constantinople.

Washington.

Reaching into every section of the nation, the government will launch a general tax drive next month that is expected to net millions of dollars in delinquent taxes and penalties. Special squadrons are being organized to make the canvass.

Cheaper coal this summer will become a possibility if congress passes without delay the Frelinghuysen bill providing for seasonal freight rates for coal, which the senate is now considering.

A plan for an association of nations has been drafted at the request of President Harding. The draft, now complete, covers several typewritten pages and is constructed around the idea of codifying international law and setting up a world tribunal.

Retail food prices to the average family declined 4.8 per cent in May as compared to April, while wholesale food prices dropped 5 1/2 per cent in the same period, according to statistics made public the other day by the department of labor.

Secretary Weeks of the war department is wondering why so many appeals are coming from Colorado for money to relieve suffering resulting from the Pueblo flood when so much relief already has been sent there that it cannot be utilized.

A new working agreement embodying a 15 per cent reduction in wages has been ratified by the shipping board and representatives of the marine engineers and deposited with the secretary of labor.

Domestic.

Four are known to have been killed and thirty-five injured when three coaches of Chicago & Northwestern passenger train No. 606 plunged through a bridge over Cottonwood Creek two miles east of Crawford, Neb., the other day.

Judge William Alexander Blount of Florida, president of the American Bar Association, is dead at Johns Hopkins hospital at Baltimore. Judge Blount had just arrived at the hospital for treatment. He was 70 years old.

President Harding has definitely decided to defer until fall the appointment of a chief justice of the United States supreme court to succeed the late Edward Douglass White, it was learned at the White House recently.

The number of cattle for each hundred persons in the United States is one-third less than in 1900, the sheep supply is reduced nearly two-thirds, while the number of hogs is fully 41 per cent smaller now than then, according to figures compiled from the federal census reports by Herbert Myrick, a farm expert.

Thomas Ashford Bogle, for twenty-four years a professor of law at the University of Michigan, is dead. He retired from the faculty in 1918. Professor Bogle was born in Ohio in 1853 and for a time practiced law in Kansas.

Scores of foreigners, recently arrived in this country, are applying to the United States immigration authorities at Pittsburgh for deportation to their home countries. They say they have been unable to find employment and, unless they are sent home, they will become charges upon the counties in Western Pennsylvania, where they reside.

Four strikers from the Missouri and North Arkansas railroad were convicted and given jail sentences in the United States court at Little Rock, Ark., on charges of contempt of court growing out of their interference with employees of the road which is operating under a federal receivership.

Plans for the Brookwood resident workers' college at Katonah, N. Y., where men and women from the ranks of the workers may be given sufficient intellectual training to make them leaders in their various groups, have been formulated by a committee of labor leaders.

Southwest.

J. H. Hooks recently shot and killed Mrs. Roland Chadwell, and then killed himself at Port Arthur, Tex. The tragedy was enacted at the door of the latter's home. Unrequited love was given as the reason for his action.

With the exception of the 101 ranch, there has been no demand in Oklahoma for outside harvest hands. In numerous instances women are helping with the work, driving binders, guiding tractors and in some cases even shocking.

Oklahoma will have to cancel approximately \$300,000 in contracts already let in road projects of the state, because she has oversubscribed her funds to meet federal aid apportionment by that much, B. E. Clark, state highway engineer, announced.

The International Fur Exchange at St. Louis, at which some of the largest auctions in the history of the trade have been held, has closed, owing 14,000,000. Announcement to this effect was made recently following a conference of exchange officials and bankers.

Leon Bates of Atchison, Kas., was drowned the other night in Beaver Creek, near Kaw City, while frog hunting with several friends. Bates was wading and stepped into a deep hole. He could not swim and sank before help arrived.

Foreign.

An outbreak at the funeral of Gen. Jose Miguel Gomez, ex-president of Cuba, at Colon cemetery, Havana, resulted in the deaths, according to official figures, of three persons and serious injuries to ten and slight injuries to nineteen.

Rioting forced adjournment of the German reichstag session recently. Communist deputies joined in a massed charge on their Nationalist colleagues and a battle royal ensued. An interpellation regarding the recent assassination at Munich of the Independent Socialist leader, Gareis led to the fracas.

Despite a multitude of new decrees, extreme difficulties still are being confronted by the Russian Bolsheviks in their efforts to supply the cities with food from the country districts, according to independent Moscow advices, which are confirmed by bolshevik newspapers.

The German reichstag has passed a bill amending the army law in accordance with the demands of an ultimatum of the allies. The chief change is that the law now expressly states that the army shall consist of one hundred thousand men, including a maximum of four thousand officers.

John T. Ritchie, 30, a resident of New York and chief engineer of the American steamer *Manhandle State*, and John Green, 25, a junior engineer whose residence is not given, were killed when a generator on the vessel exploded, a London dispatch says.

Three more bodies have been recovered from the debris of the Arkansas River flood at Pueblo, Col. The total of recovered bodies now is sixty-one.

The Duke of Devonshire, retiring governor general of Canada, in his last official act in Ottawa signed the order-in-council that will result in a dry Ontario July 18. The order was signed prior to his departure for Quebec.

The insignia of the Legion of Honor is to be conferred upon James K. Hackett, the American actor, at the Ministry of Fine Arts in Paris. Mr. Hackett will be the first English speaking actor to receive this distinction.

A BRITISH PLEDGE TO UNITED STATES

Lloyd George Tells Imperial Conference Co-Operation With America Needed.

FOR A DISARMAMENT POLICY

Premier Declares Pact With Japanese, If Renewed, Will Not Be Objectionable to Allies.

London.—The British prime minister in opening the imperial conference attended by the premiers of the overseas dominions, referred to Anglo-Japanese relations in terms generally regarded in American circles here as assurance to the United States that any renewal of the agreement with Japan would necessarily be of a nature unobjectionable to America.

Lloyd George alluded to the wartime friendship with Japan and said Great Britain was eager to apply this friendship to a solution of the questions connected with the Pacific Ocean and the far East, among them the future of China.

Great Britain desired to avoid competition in armaments in the Pacific, the prime minister declared, and he emphasized the willingness of the government to discuss limitation of armaments with the United States. He pointed out at the same time that the life of the United Kingdom, as also of Australia and New Zealand, was built upon sea power—"the basis of the whole empire's existence."

Discussing the relations between Great Britain and the United States, the prime minister said:

"Friendly co-operation with the United States is for us a cardinal principle, dictated by what seems to us the proper nature of things, by instinct quite as much as by reason and common sense."

The first session of the conference was without ceremony, the representatives of the United Kingdom, the dominions and India assembling at the residence of the premier, who spoke for an hour. Lloyd George welcomed the visiting premiers and other delegates, who, he said, met as "equal partners in the dignities and responsibilities of the British commonwealth."

The prime minister summarized post-war conditions and said that German disarmament virtually was accomplished and the reparations problem was "in a fair way of being solved."

HARDING'S PLAN OUTLINED

South American Republics Said to Have Received Hints of Its Most Important Points.

Washington.—A diplomatic report giving a rough outline of an association of nations plan, purported to be favored by President Harding, has gone to two South American republics, it was learned recently.

The two governments asked their representatives for a report on the Harding-association. The salient features of the plan were:

The association would have no written constitution.

It would function through a council of representatives of member nations, whose decisions would be advisory rather than binding.

The present allied supreme council could be used as a nucleus for the association. The association's plan calls for an international law court, but without compulsory arbitration of disputes and without penalties for failure to abide by the court's judgment.

OPPOSE A WAR IN NEAR EAST

Allies Ask Greek King to Postpone Offensive Operations Against the Turks and Accept Mediation.

Paris.—Offensive operations against the Turkish Nationalists in Asia Minor are opposed by Great Britain, France and Italy, which have dispatched a note to the Greek government, asking that King Constantine postpone his campaign against the Turks and accept mediation which may settle the near East situation. The note was sent by Smyrna, where King Constantine and Premier Gounaris are at present.

It is understood the British favor the restoration of Turkish sovereignty over Smyrna. Racial and religious minorities would receive protection from an international police force, under the London plan. An agreement regarding Thrace has not been reached and discussion has been postponed, pending the Greek reply to the allied offer of mediation.

Canada into Bergdoll Case. Philadelphia.—Announcement was made recently at Ottawa, Canada, by Minister of Justice C. J. Doherty that extradition from Germany of Grover C. Bergdoll is under consideration by the Canadian government.

U. S. Producing Less Milk.

Washington.—Milk production in the United States last year amounted to \$9,658 million pounds, a decrease of approximately 400 million pounds as compared with 1919.

ONION GROWERS HAVE ADOPTED NEW GRADES

Standardization of Bermuda Industry Is Completed.

Commercial Crop of Coachella Valley, Cal., Is to Be Marketed on Basis Recommended by Department of Agriculture.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

The 1921 commercial crop of Bermuda onions in the Coachella valley, Cal., is to be marketed on the basis of United States-Bermuda onion grades, according to an announcement of the bureau of markets, United States Department of Agriculture. This completes



Working in Big Onion Field.

the standardization of practically the entire Bermuda-onion industry in the United States.

United States grades for Bermuda onions were recommended by the Department of Agriculture in the spring of 1918. The same year the state of Texas legislated the compulsory grading of Bermuda onions according to the grades promulgated by the department and adopted by the Texas state department of agriculture.

When the onion shippers in the Coachella valley requested inspection service from the California state department of agriculture in 1921, the department indicated that it would be impracticable to render such service unless suitable grades were agreed upon as a basis for inspection. Accordingly, the shippers made a comprehensive study of onion grades and decided finally to use the grades recommended by the Department of Agriculture. Perhaps the most important consideration leading to this decision was the fact that since the adoption of the department's grades in Texas there has been a considerable decrease in the number of rejected Texas onion shipments.

BETTER QUALITY OF POULTRY

Platte County (Neb.) Farmer Lays Chickens, Geese and Ducks, All Purebred.

A noticeable feature of the "Better Sires" campaign conducted by the various states and the United States Department of Agriculture is the excellent quality of poultry kept on general farms. Typical of this condition is a statement recently received from a farm in Platte county, Nebraska. The principal live stock kept were Short-horn cattle and Poland China swine. In addition the owner listed the following poultry, all of which was standard bred: Seventy-five Barred Plymouth Rocks, 75 Black Langshans, 100 Brown Leghorns, 100 Rhode Island Reds, three White China geese and three Pekin ducks. It was noteworthy that, whereas the poultry was all of pure breeding, the swine herd included a number of grade females. The sire kept for all classes of stock were of pure breeding—a requirement for enrollment in the "Better Sires—Better Stock" campaign.

NEW DEVICE CLEANS GRAINS

Recently Invented Contrivance Removes Smut, Dust, Etc., at the Time of Threshing.

A new device known as an aspirator has been designed by specialists of the bureau of markets, United States Department of Agriculture, for cleaning wheat and other small grains by removing smut, dust, and chaff at the time of threshing. This device is attached to the grain delivery spout, and tests indicate that it removes approximately one-third of what ordinarily is classified as chaff. The use of this device will enable farmers to keep for feed a part of the seeds and other foreign material ordinarily hauled to the elevator and lost to the producer; it also improves the quality of grain by removing from it a large part of the smut, dust and objectionable foreign material. A reclaimer, for attachment to the deck of threshing machines, also designed, gives promise of being efficient, it is said.

IDEAL LOCATION FOR GARDEN

Should Have Fertile Soil, Rather Light and Easily Worked—Convenient to House.

The ideal garden site has fertile soil, rather light and easily worked. It is well-drained and has some wind protection on the north. It is near the house for convenience in working and harvesting.

YOUNG CHICKENS NEED BEST FEED

Nebraska Poultryman Gives His Reasons for Start of Runts in Poultry Flocks.

LARGELY MATTER OF RATION

Weight of Chick Varies According to Breed, Those Given Balanced Ration Almost Double Those Fed in Ordinary Way.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

"A pen of ten chicks fed by a farmer in the ordinary way reached an average weight of 0.4 ounces at seven weeks old. Other chicks receiving a balanced ration reached a weight of 10.8 ounces at the same age. It is my firm belief," says a Nebraska poultryman in a letter to the United States Department of Agriculture, which recently conducted an inquiry into the cause of runt live stock, "that this is the way many runts in poultry start. Here was a case of normal chicks to start with and they developed into runts by the time they were seven weeks old."

Club Investigating.

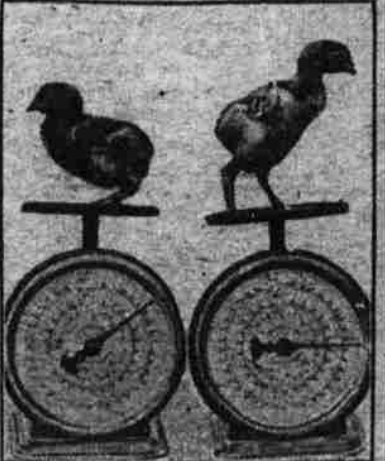
"Our poultry club in making some investigations," he adds, "visited a number of farms and weighed chicks of various ages at each place. The chicks received ordinary farm feeding and you will see from the figures shown in the table below that they were all under normal, according to the standard weight given by the Vineland (N. J.) station."

"We find among the flocks under the supervision of our county agent that the weights come up nearer normal, so there is no question in our mind that the runt problem is largely a matter of feed so far as chickens are concerned."

Weights of Chicks Fed in Ordinary Manner Versus Those Given Balanced Rations.

Age.	Ordinary farm feeding.	Weight of chicks given balanced ration in ounces.	Weight of chicks given ordinary farm feeding in ounces.
4 days	1.2	1.5	1.2
1 week	1.4	1.6	1.4
2 weeks	1.8	2.2	1.8
4 weeks	2.8	4.2	2.8
7 weeks	0.4	10.8	0.4

That the standard weights developed at the Vineland station are not beyond the attainment of good poultry raisers is shown by other observations. Ten chicks that had access to dry mash at all times and were carefully handled reached an average weight of 17.0 ounces at seven weeks old. This is 1.4 ounces heavier than the normal or Vineland station weight. The poultryman who reports these



Chicks of Same Age and Breed—One on Right With Properly Balanced Ration Weighed Almost Twice as Much as One on Left, Which Was Given Ordinary Feed.

observations points out that weights vary, of course, according to the variety of chicks. The figures given refer to such varieties as the Plymouth Rocks, Orpingtons, Wyandottes and Rhode Island Reds.

The following table, furnished by the same poultryman, contains ages and weights of various lots of farm chicks and also the weights given as standard. The variations in the weight of the farm-grown chicks are very noticeable:

Age.	Standard weight in ounces.	Actual weight in ounces.
1 week	1.5	1.2
2 weeks	2.2	1.8
4 weeks	4.2	2.8
7 weeks	10.8	0.4

Are your chicks up to standard weight? Chicks should double their weight every two weeks until they weigh one pound. Weigh 10 of your chicks and see if they are getting enough feed. Feed dry mash, scratch feed and green feed. Use self-feeder and save labor.

Feeding Young Chicks.

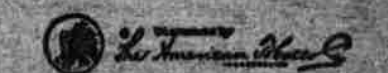
Remember that young chicks do not require food for the first 48 to 50 hours after hatching. When they do start eating, it is a good plan to start using sour milk or buttermilk instead of water.



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